

# GRILLED CHICKEN AND AVOCADO QUINOA PILAF

This pilaf recipe pairs avocados and bell peppers with red quinoa and grilled chicken, for a satisfying, colorful meal.

**Preparation time:** 45 minutes

Serves: 4

### **INGREDIENTS:**

- 2 tbsp fresh or bottled lemon juice
- ¼ cup fresh basil
- ¾ tsp ground black pepper, divided
- 1 avocado, cut into chunks
- 1 tbsp olive oil, divided
- ¼ tsp salt
- 2 small boneless, skinless chicken breasts (about 1 lb)

- 1 large red bell pepper
- ½ medium onion, chopped
- · 1 clove garlic, minced
- · 3 cups water
- 3 tsp sodium-free chicken bouillon
- 1½ cups red quinoa, uncooked/dry



## **DIRECTIONS:**

- 1. Heat grill. Peel and cut avocado into chunks; place in a medium bowl.
- 2. Mix lemon juice, basil, and  $\frac{1}{2}$  tsp black pepper. Drizzle over avocado chunks, toss, and set aside.
- Cut chicken breasts in half crosswise. Mix ½ tbsp olive oil, salt, and remaining black pepper. Brush mixture on chicken and red bell pepper. Grill chicken and pepper until done. Set chicken breasts aside. Cut pepper into thin strips.
- 4. While chicken and peppers are grilling, heat remaining olive oil in a large pan, add garlic and onion, and cook until tender, about 5 minutes. Add water, bouillon, and quinoa to pan; bring to boil, cover, reduce heat, and simmer until liquid is absorbed and quinoa is cooked (about 15-20 minutes).
- 5. Place quinoa pilaf in a large bowl and add chicken, red peppers, and avocado. Toss gently.

# Food Group Amounts Dairy - Fruits ½ cup Vegetables ½ cup Crains 2 oz

Nutrition	ı Fa	cts
Serving Size (235g) Servings Per Contain	er	
Amount Per Serving		
Calories 460 Calor	ies from	Fat 140
	% Da	aily Value'
Total Fat 16g		25%
Saturated Fat 2g		10%
Trans Fat 0g		
Cholesterol 45mg		15%
Sodium 240mg		10%
Total Carbohydrate	54g	18%
Dietary Fiber 7g		28%
Sugars 3g		
Protein 28g		
Vitamin A 30% • 1	Vitamin (	100%
Calcium 6% •	Iron 30%	,
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Total Fat Less than Saturated Fat Less than Cholesterol Less than Sodium Less than Total Carbohydrate Dietary Fiber	65g 20g 300mg 2,400mg 300g 25g	80g 25g 300mg 2,400mg 375g 30g

### **Serving Suggestions:**

Serve with an 8 oz glass of non-fat milk and ½ orange, sliced.

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